

Department Description

The Office of the City Auditor is an independent office that reports and is accountable to the Audit Committee and City Council. The City Auditor conducts performance audits of City departments, offices, and agencies in accordance with government auditing standards.

The audits may assess internal controls over financial reporting and evaluate how well the City complies with applicable laws, rules, and regulations; achieves stated goals and objectives; reports financial and performance information (reliability); efficiently and effectively uses resources; and safeguards and protects assets.

The Office of the City Auditor also administers the City's Fraud Hotline program and performs investigations for all material complaints received related to fraud, waste, and abuse.

The Department's mission is:

To advance open and accountable government through accurate, independent, and objective audits and investigations that seek to improve the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of City government

Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Increase the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of City government through audits and their recommendations

To fulfill its mission, the Department reports its independent and impartial reviews, conclusions, and recommendations based on performance audits, special audits, and reviews conducted. Some audit reports recommend ways to reduce costs or increase revenues. Other audit reports identify opportunities to increase effectiveness, use resources more efficiently, and improve internal controls. An annual audit workplan is prepared and presented to the Audit Committee each fiscal year. The audit workplan targets business processes and programs

identified in the annual citywide risk assessment model. The Department will move towards accomplishing this goal by focusing on the following objectives.

- Reduce costs and increase revenues
- Utilize audits to identify opportunities for improved efficiency and the effective use of resources
- Regularly report the status of open recommendations

Goal 2: Continue the economic, efficient, and effective operation of the Office of the City Auditor

The City Auditor will continue enhancing the efficient and effective conduct of audits and investigations. In addition, City Auditor staff will strive to ensure that all work is completed in accordance to applicable auditing and investigating standards. The Department will move towards accomplishing this goal by focusing on the following objectives.

- Further develop skilled employees by maintaining appropriate training and supervision
- Reviewing and updating the Audit Manual and Fraud Hotline procedures

Goal 3: Provide independent, reliable, accurate, and timely information to the Mayor, Audit Committee, City Council, and other stakeholders

The City Auditor intends to provide results of all non-confidential audits to its stakeholders. To this end, the Department intends to provide regular updates to the Audit Committee, as well as copies of all issued audit reports to the Mayor and appropriate City management, members of the City Council and their staff, Audit Committee members, and the residents of San Diego via a newly-created City Auditor website. The Department will move towards accomplishing this goal by focusing on the following objective.

Provide audit results, including findings and recommendations, to all relevant stakeholders

Goal 4: Provide independent, confidential, and reliable investigations of all material allegations of fraud, waste, or abuse that are reported via the City's Fraud Hotline

The Office of the City Auditor will investigate all material complaints received related to fraud, waste, and abuse. The City Auditor will provide a means for City of San Diego employees and residents to confidentially report any activity or conduct in which he/she suspects any instances of fraud, waste, abuse, or violations of laws and regulations that should be investigated. The Department will move towards accomplishing this goal by focusing on the following objective.

• Provide investigation results, including recommendations for necessary actions to be taken, for all allegations of fraud, waste, or abuse that are found to be substantiated

Service Efforts and Accomplishments

The City Auditor will propose an annual audit workplan that will identify the planned audits to be undertaken during the fiscal year. The annual workplan will be based on the results of the comprehensive citywide risk assessment and identify required audits such as the annual inventory audit, close-out audits, and hotline investigations. The goal will be to complete the required audit workplan and increase the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of City operations through these audits and their recommendations.

Additionally, the City Auditor will conduct testing of internal controls during each performance audit that is conducted, report on control weaknesses that are identified, and make recommendations for corrective action that should be taken. The City Auditor will perform follow-up work on all audit recommendations that are made to determine if proper actions have been taken by management.

The City Auditor will provide regular updates to the Audit Committee regarding the activities and accomplishments of the Office including producing an annual report and information on management's implementation of audit recommendations.

Department Summary

	FY2010 Budget	FY2011 Proposed	FY2010–2011 Change
Positions	16.50	18.00	1.50
Personnel Expenses	2,118,468	2,435,346	316,878
Non-Personnel Expenses	412,949	1,117,543	704,594
Total Department Expenses	2,531,417	3,552,889	1,021,472
Total Department Revenue	122,323	122,323	0

General Fund

Department Expenditures

		FY2010 Budget	FY2011 Proposed	FY2010-2011 Change
City Auditor		2,531,417	3,552,889	1,021,472
	Fund Total	2,531,417	3,552,889	1,021,472

Department Personnel

		FY2010 Budget	FY2011 Proposed	FY2010–2011 Change
City Auditor		16.50	18.00	1.50
	Fund Total	16.50	18.00	1.50

Significant Budget Adjustments

	FTE	Expenditure	Revenue
Annualization of Principal Auditor Positions Annualization of salary and fringe benefits of three Principal Auditor half-time positions from Fiscal Year 2010 to three Principal Auditor full-time positions in Fiscal Year 2011, including an addition of associated non-personnel expenses.	1.50	197,093	0
Adjustment to Contracts and Equipment Outlay Funding allocated according to a zero-based annual review of contract and equipment outlay requirements.	0.00	979,274	0
Budget Adjustments Total	1.50	1,176,367	0

Expenditures by Category

	FY2010 Budget	FY2011 Proposed	FY2010-2011 Change
PERSONNEL			
Salaries and Wages	1,458,134	1,504,754	46,620
Fringe Benefits	660,334	930,592	270,258
SUBTOTAL PERSONNEL	2,118,468	2,435,346	316,878
NON-PERSONNEL			
Supplies	19,333	33,158	13,825
Contracts	349,825	1,032,782	682,957

Expenditures by Category

	FY2010 Budget	FY2011 Proposed	FY2010-2011 Change
Information Technology	35,055	38,993	3,938
Energy and Utilities	900	4,500	3,600
Other	7,460	8,110	650
Capital Expenditures	376	0	(376)
SUBTOTAL NON-PERSONNEL	412,949	1,117,543	704,594
Total	2,531,417	3,552,889	1,021,472

Revenues by Category

	FY2010 Budget	FY2011 Proposed	FY2010–2011 Change
Charges for Current Services	122,323	122,323	0
Total	122,323	122,323	0

Department Personnel Expenditures

Job		FY2010	FY2011		
Number	Job Title	Budget	Proposed	Salary Range	Total
20000119	Asoc Mgmt Anlyst	1.00	1.00	54,059 - 65,333	63,066
20001101	Department Director	1.00	0.00	59,155 - 224,099	0
20001135	Principal Auditor	14.50	16.00	19,323 - 151,840	1,273,688
20001252	City Auditor	0.00	1.00	34,694 - 207,210	168,000
	Salaries and Wages Total	16.50	18.00		1,504,754

Fringe Benefits	
Retirement ARC	516,343
Supplemental Pension Savings Plan	48,958
Retirement Offset Contribution	13,074
Employee Offset Savings	44,425
Workers' Compensation	2,886
Flexible Benefits	149,848
Risk Management Administration	15,190
Long-Term Disability	13,309
Unemployment Insurance	3,114
Medicare	22,098
Other Post-Employment Benefits	98,487
Unused Sick Leave	1,104
Retirement 401 Plan	1,405

Department Personnel Expenditures

Job Number Job Title	FY2010 FY20 Budget Propos	011 sed Salary Range	Total
Retiree Medical Trust			351
Fringe Benefits Total			930,592

Personnel Expenses Total 2,435,346

Department Budget by Program

		FY2011 Positions	FY2011 Expenditures	FY2011 Revenue
Audits		13.50	1,791,868	122,323
General Administation/Management		4.50	1,722,028	0
IT Non-Discretionary		0.00	38,993	0
	Total	18.00	3,552,889	122,323